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PROGRAM FOR STATE FIREMEN'S CONVENTION

Alexandria Citizens Preparing to Entertain Many Hundreds of Visitors in August.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Alexandria, Va., May 4.—The program as announced for the State Firemen's Convention, which will be held here August 24-26, includes a reception to the visiting firemen, August 24, and at 2 P. M. the opening session will be held, and will be presided over by J. R. N. Curtin, president of the State association. An address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of Alexandria will be delivered by Representative C. C. Carlin, and on behalf of the local firemen by J. H. Trimyer. The closing session of the association will be held at 8 o'clock that night.

The exercises planned for Thursday, August 25, include a monster street parade at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, with about 2,000 men in line. That night there will be a band concert, open to all visiting bands. On Friday, reel races will be held on North Washington Street, and the ladies will be given an opportunity of trying their sprinting proclivities. Much interest is manifested in the coming convention, and besides Virginia firemen there will be companies from West Virginia and Maryland.

IS TAKEN TO ATLANTA.

Convicted Newbern Bank Cashier Begins Serving Sentence.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Raleigh, N. C., May 4.—Deputy United States Marshal Ripton W. Ward has gone to Atlanta to commit J. R. R. Carraway to the Federal penitentiary, to serve his five years for false entries and other acts through which, as cashier, he embezzled \$10,000 from a Newbern bank. During the two days that the defaulting cashier spent in the Wake county jail here, awaiting the trip to Atlanta, he expressed an eager desire to begin the actual service of the sentence, saying that he wanted to be rid of the whole affair just as quickly as possible. He says he wanted to submit to the charges of which he was finally convicted a year or more ago. Therefore, he considers that he has lost all this time, that he might have been serving on the sentence.

TURK VOTED FOR KENT.

Opposition to His Continuance as Member of City Democratic Committee.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Staunton, Va., May 4.—A small stir in local politics was caused here today by the resignation of Colonel R. K. Turk, editor of the Dispatch and News, from the City Democratic Committee. Colonel Turk opposed holding a city primary for Councilmen, and attempted to secure a reversal of the action of the committee ordering one. It developed that he voted for Kent, Republican, for Governor in the last State election, and there was much opposition to his being on the committee. The Republicans are trying to combine with the "wet" Democrats to run an independent ticket, and this element tried to defeat the Democratic primary called for May 12.

Will Pass \$3,000,000 Mark.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Roanoke, Va., May 4.—It was said today that the earnings of the Norfolk and Western Railroad for April, 1910, will be by far the largest of any single month in the road's history. The \$2,900,000 mark will be passed.

\$60,000 Building for Roanoke.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Roanoke, Va., May 4.—The Roanoke Gas and Water Company today awarded a contract for a building to be erected for the offices and show rooms of that concern to R. A. Egan, of Roanoke, the price being \$60,000.

Teacher Training Lecture.

Rev. R. A. Goodwin will deliver a lecture in the teacher training course on "Old Testament History," in All Saints' Parish House, Madison and Grace Streets, to-night at 8:15 o'clock. All Sunday school teachers and others interested are invited to be present.

Big Furniture Plant Destroyed.

Ramsey, N. C., May 4.—The plant of the Ramsey Furniture Company, the largest in the State, was almost entirely destroyed by a fire which started in the dry kiln this afternoon, entailing a loss of over \$50,000. The insurance was only \$25,000.

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REGULAR SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

Matter of Appropriation for Fair Urged by Secretary Finney.

DELEGATES TO GRAND LODGE

Initiatory Step Taken Toward Commission Form of Government.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 193 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., May 4.

The Common Council, in regular session last evening, confirmed the sale at \$100 per acre of twenty-nine acres of the city's high service reservoir property, in Prince George county, made at public auction several days ago to the Walnut Hill Corporation, to which property it is designed to build a costly viaduct from the southern terminus of Sycamore Street.

The Council heard a protest from Wm. B. McKenney, as a taxpayer, who thought the sale unwise and unnecessary. The city, he suggested, does not need the money, the price is low, and the city might need the property for a park in the future.

Mr. McKenney, however, subsequently withdrew his objection to continuation of the sale, on the declaration of Wm. B. McIlwaine, a representative of and counsel for the corporation, that if at any time within a year the city wishes to establish a park on the property, conditioned that it be for white people alone, the corporation would sell it back at one-half the price paid for it.

Site for the Fair.
R. Gordon Finney, secretary, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Agricultural Association just chartered, addressed the Council in the interest of the association and its plans. He read a communication signed by the incorporators setting forth the advantages to this city and section of the agricultural and industrial fairs proposed to be held, and of the expenses incident thereto. The sum of \$15,000 to \$18,000 would be needed, and a substantial appropriation by the city would be necessary to aid the association.

Mr. Finney stated that about twenty acres of land may be purchased from the Riverside Club in Dinwiddie county, near the city, for \$5,000, as a suitable site for the Fair Grounds, and that the absolutely necessary buildings and fences would cost not less than \$5,000. It was therefore urged that an appropriation of \$5,000 be made for these purposes. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee for recommendations.

Other Council Matters.

The Council made the usual monthly appropriations, discussed and referred the matter of appropriating \$25,000 for a new almshouse, accepted the resignation of W. G. Andrews as a member from Fourth Ward, adopted an ordinance prohibiting the riding of bicycles and the like on the sidewalks, and without finishing its regular business adjourned over until this evening. The general tax and appropriation ordinance for the ensuing fiscal year was introduced and referred to the Finance Committee.

Delegates to the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Virginia, will meet in Danville next Monday, and on Tuesday the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows will meet in the same city. The following delegates representing the three lodges in Petersburg will attend the two grand bodies: Past Master James B. Blanks, J. R. W. Smith, F. H. Hale, H. L. Spaul, R. E. Brunet, R. H. Hinckley, Lynn Andrews and S. D. Rodgers.

The State Aerie of Eagles will meet in Staunton on May 10 and 11, in which body Petersburg Aerie will be represented by J. T. Tench and J. M. Saunders.

Police Patrol System.

A representative of the Weston Electric Company was in the city this afternoon in conference with the Police Commissioners in reference to the details and cost of the establishment of a police patrol system in Petersburg. The system, it is believed, will cost less than \$5,000, and as its necessity is apparent it is believed that plans will be approved and recommended by the Finance Committee, and the appropriation for its installation will be made by the Council.

Long Fight Ended.

The executive board of the State Council of Virginia Junior Order of United American Mechanics, held an important meeting at their headquarters in this city last night. Among other business transacted was that of the last payment to their attorneys for services rendered in the effort to throw off the authority of the national body. In the prolonged fight through the courts the Virginia Council won in every instance, and the order is gaining rapidly.

Death of Dinwiddie Veteran.

William A. Webb, one of Dinwiddie's most prominent and respected citizens, died at his home in that county this morning of Bright's disease, aged sixty-eight years. He was survived by his wife, two sons and three daughters—Mrs. W. G. Malone, of Petersburg; Mrs. T. H. Malone, Miss Lucy Webb and M. B. and Charles Webb—all of Dinwiddie.

Mr. Webb resided near Reams's Station and was one of the wealthiest men in the county. He made an honorable record as a soldier in the Confederate War, serving in Company I, Third Virginia Cavalry.

Looking to Change of Government.

The Common Council last evening adopted a resolution providing for the creation of an administration board, to be referred to a committee of two Councilmen and one Alderman, who, with the City Attorney, shall formulate and report a plan of municipal government. This is an initiatory step towards a commission form of government, which has been much discussed of late.

Clerk of Court Appointed.

Judge Walter A. Watson has appointed Albert M. Orgain, Jr., clerk of the court of Dinwiddie county, vice his father, recently deceased. Mr. Orgain has been practically discharging the duties of the office for several years.

Persons and Briefs.

Mrs. Emma Hamilton, aged nineteen years, wife of Grover C. Hamilton, died this morning at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Springfield, on Pearl Street. She is survived by her husband, mother and infant child.

Protective Association, of this city, have been invited to accompany the Richmond delegates to the State con-

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vention, and will most probably accept the courtesy.

A number more persons reported today that they have not yet been counted in the census. H. H. Scott and James D. Barr, two of the enumerators, have consented to take the names of all persons who have been overlooked.

WOMEN'S DEMAND FLATLY OPPOSED

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total membership would be increased to more than 2,056,000.

After deducting all indebtedness, the church owns not less than \$75,000,000 in property. During the past quadrennium the church has contributed \$3,075,000 for education, \$824,000 for church extension, and \$2,273,347 for foreign missions. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has contributed \$941,898. This church was the first Methodist Church to give a complete example of lay representation alike in the annual and general conference, and was followed only in part by the Wesleyan Methodist and the Methodist Episcopal Church. The most cordial relations have been maintained between this church and the colored Methodists, who were for so long connected organically with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The negro church has grown from a membership of less than 20,000 in 1870 to a membership of 235,000 in 1910, and owns church property valued at more than \$3,000,000. It was recommended that steps be taken looking to preparation for missionary work for the negro, both at home and in the dark continent.

The demand of the laity for better equipped and more efficient preachers must be met in part by the laity in providing greater facilities for ministerial education. Uniformity in order of worship is recommended. Owing to the depletion in the ranks of the Episcopate recently the election of at least five bishops is recommended at this session of the conference.

The change of the name of the church was not recommended in the episcopal address, nor was the request of the women for lay representatives.

Charters by the State.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

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ATTACKS METHODS OF DEPARTMENT

Senator Simmons Sharply Criticizes Course Pursued by Attorney-General.

"HAS WHOLE MATTER WRONG"

Contents That Natural Causes Make High Prices, Which Will Go Higher.

Washington, D. C., May 4.—In a speech delivered in the Senate today, Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, attacked the methods of the Department of Justice in the matter of its prosecution of the cotton pool. He did not complain because of the suit, but because the cotton producers and spinners had been involved in the matter.

Complaining of partiality in the enforcement of the Sherman anti-trust law, Mr. Simmons declared that in undertaking to prosecute the bulls, and undertake only a partial prosecution. He said that the proceeding amounted to a usurpation of authority. Senator Simmons made bitter complaint against a course which he said had had the effect of placing the real cotton men in the light of speculators, when the efforts had been in exactly the opposite direction.

"If the cotton spinners of the country will co-operate in the same line which the cotton producers of the South are pursuing, all the exchanges of the country will be on a spot basis, instead of a paper basis," he said. He contended that contracts for future sales of cotton should be for a real, and not a sham, delivery.

Sharp Criticism.
The Attorney-General's attitude toward the price of cotton was sharply criticized. He said that official had attacked prices, not because of the pool, but because he considered them a national evil.

"He has the whole matter wrong; prices are not abnormally high," said Mr. Simmons. "They certainly are not above the level of prices fixed by the tariff and in the interest of monopoly." He said there had been no protest from the Attorney-General when the bears had squeezed \$15 out of the price of cotton.

He contended that the high prices of the present day were due to short crops and other natural causes. He said prices were not high enough, and he thought they would go higher. "And the Attorney-General cannot prevent that, whatever proceedings he may institute in the interest of foreign buyers," he added.

Mr. Simmons refused to concede the government the right to interfere with the purpose of affecting the price of the staple. "It is as startling as it is unpatriotic, and it is as unpatriotic as it is untenable," he declared, speaking of the Attorney-General's course. As our chief article of export, he declared that the price of cotton should be kept up. He said that while the South always would be the first to receive the benefits of any increase, the whole country would profit.

WOULD REGULATE SALE OF OPIUM

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was held. It will adopt a high standard of entrance requirements for pharmacy in the States of the Union, and will, incidentally, raise the standard of colleges of pharmacy.

Today's program will include a session of the sections of education and legislation and scientific papers. Meetings of the same sections will take place in the afternoon, after which an old-fashioned Virginia picnic will be tendered the members of the association at Lakeside Park.

TALK "WARTIMES" AT SOCIAL SESSION

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Norfolk, Va., May 4.—The Virginia State Senate, the "Elder Statesmen of the Old Dominion," is in session in Norfolk and vicinity. It is not a business session, with the Lieutenant Governor, Taylor Elyson, in the chair. It is only a social session, with State Senator John A. Lesner as presiding officer, and no money laws, but only eating friend chicken, inhaling Tidewater ozone, and drinking Tidewater "lithia." They came to town this morning at 10 o'clock, and they did not hang up their hats at the Lynnhaven, and went into "executive session" in Room 439. "We smoked around in the lobby," and talked "wartimes" and talked "wartimes."

There are many noted Virginia legislative figures attending the "Lesner social session." George H. Kezzer, "The War Horse of Rockingham," who sniffs from afar the pine-scented breezes of the Blue Ridge, which make men strong men, is here. So is Edward Echols, another legislative light. He hails from Augusta and the city of Staunton.

Another, Don P. Halsey, nephew of Senator Daniel, still another is A. T. Lincoln, who, with W. P. Kent as his leader, led the unwarlike Taylor Elyson from the job of "Cannonizing" the Senate. State Senator Holland, of Nanamond, who looks up high, and is among those present, is a member of the Newport News, who got worried over the oyster question last winter, is enjoying himself, but not talking. There is J. J. Owen, who took Senator Mann's seat when the latter went to the Executive Mansion. George P. Elyson, of Albemarle, whose bill fame, is here, too. John M. Hart, of Roanoke, who was the first to come out against State-wide prohibition, is here. So is C. C. Folkes, of Richmond, who lives in the world of scarp debates, is here.

Foreign and Home Missions.

The cause of foreign and home missions will be emphasized at this session of the General Conference, and the word "missionary" is recognized by leading men in the church, with the full assurance of quick and safe solving.

Tuesday evening, May 17, the conference will have the pleasure of hearing Rev. Willis R. Hotchkiss, of the Society of Friends, who has spent sixteen years as a missionary in the interior of British East Africa, and who has thrilled many large audiences during the past few months with accounts of his missionary work in Africa. Mr. Hotchkiss was the first missionary to convey the meaning of the word "salvation" to the African tribes among whom he labors, and where he will resume his work the coming fall.

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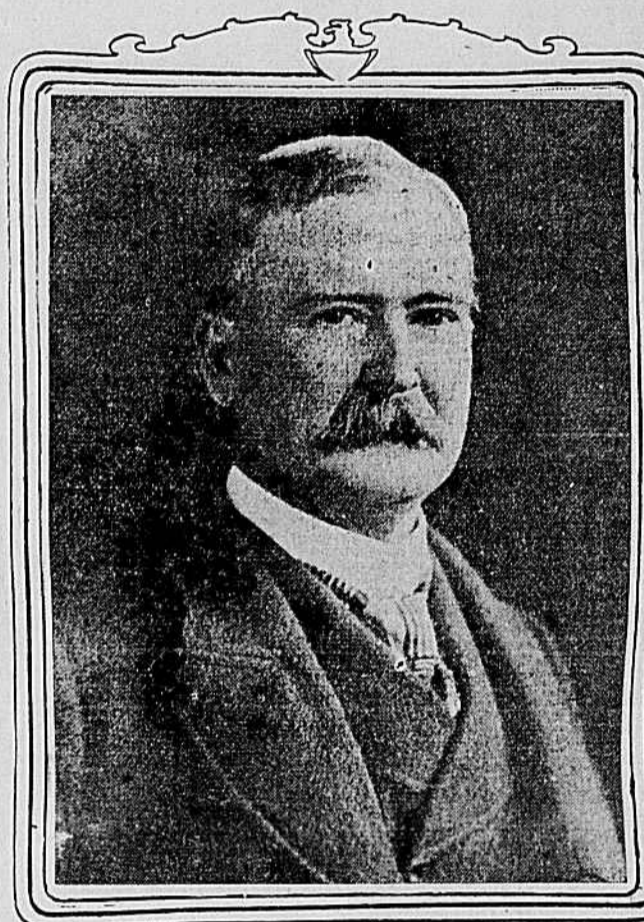
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ALABAMA'S NEXT GOVERNOR



EMMET O'NEAL.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Birmingham, Ala., May 4.—Alabama celebrated the funeral of constitutional prohibition and the death of fanaticism within her borders when Emmet O'Neal was given the Democratic nomination for Governor in a decisive victory over H. S. D. Mallory, of Selma. Prohibition was given a body blow, and the veil of oblivion was drawn over the famous Butler bill and the Carmichael bill, and upset all the plans which Brooks Lawrence, superintendent of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League, brought with him from Ohio.

A reversal of sentiment in Alabama is attracting national attention, and yet it is not so remarkable, for it is simply the struggle of a wide-awake

and looks very amiable. There are others also, and too numerous to mention, except to say Marshall B. Booker, the clerk of the Senate, of course, who is on the job to keep the records straight.

The first thing on the "calendar," after exchanging greetings with the Lynnhaven this morning, was the luncheon at 2 o'clock.

A number of "gridiron telegrams" were read, after which the speaker Richard Evelyn Byrd, of the House of Delegates, said: "Sorry I can't be with you. I am too busy on a job the Governor has given me; however, I'll make \$10,000."

BIVENS TRIAL BEGINS.

Young Man Charged with Murder.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Oxford, N. C., May 4.—The case of the State against P. H. Bivens, who is charged with the killing of Yasur Fowler, was called this morning in the Superior Court of Granville county. Attorneys for the State are the solicitor, S. M. Gattis; Graham & Devin and Hicks & Hicks, while the defendant is represented by V. S. Bryant and Royster & Lassiter.

In the courtroom, seated by the side of the young prisoner, who is the only son, were his parents, while there were also present the father and mother and three brothers of the dead man.

The morning session was taken up in securing a jury, and after the dinner recess the State began the introduction of its testimony. The case is expected to go to the jury by Thursday.

WILL BE CANDIDATE.

Lieutenant-Governor Newland Wants to Become State's Chief Executive.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Raleigh, N. C., May 4.—Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Newland, who is here before the Supreme Court arguing Thirteenth District appeals this week, said it is a fact that at this time he has a very strong inclination to be in the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the next campaign, but that this is too far off yet to have anything much to say about it. The Lieutenant-Governor said this in reply to an inquiry by a newspaper man. To friends generally here, in private conversation, he is free to say that he expects to make a definite and determined effort to secure the nomination, and that he is receiving the heartiest indorsement from Democrats in every part of the State wherever his candidacy has become known.

people for the solution of a much vexed problem.

Emmet O'Neal is the son of Governor Edward A. O'Neal, who was one of the most distinguished and widely popular Executives who ever graced the Governor's chair, and was twice elected to fill the office. He was born and has always lived at Florence, where he became prominent at the bar, and is now president of the Alabama Bar Association.

St. Louis Shoe Shipments

Number Pairs Made in Shoe Factories.

The shoe shipments from St. Louis for the week ending April 23 were 16,640 cases. There were 480,802 pairs of shoes made in 49 factories, 32 of these being in St. Louis and 17 factories in nearby towns. The report is by the Shoe and Leather Gazette.

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